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was again made to secure the services of a Public Works Department Officer who was considered to possess the qualification to hold the post but that officer was also not willing to take up this appointment. Therefore, Sri Sundaresan was appointed in view of his qualification stated, on the recommendation of the Committee consisting of the Home Secretary, Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, the Director of Government Transport and Mechanical Engineer.

(c) No, Sir. The appointment is temporary. The question will arise only after the rules regarding the post are issued.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) He underwent training in the accounts department of the Automobile Products of India Limited, and has about 5 years experience in cost accounts.

(f) No, Sir. The appointment is temporary for the present. It was made on the recommendation of an official committee. The question of reference to the Public Service Commission will arise when rules are issued in respect of this post.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM: Then is it a fact that this officer does not suffer for want of qualifications and that he richly deserves the office in view of his varied experiences in the department?

MR. SPEAKER: It is what the Hon. Minister has stated.

SRI S. B. ADITYAN: Are these gazetted appointments, Sir?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: Yes, Sir.

Government servants transferred to Kanyakumari district

* 113 Q.—SRI M. WILLIAM: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Gazetted and Non-Gazetted Officers transferred to Kanyakumari district from other districts of the Madras State; and

(b) how many of them belong to the district cadre?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) Ninty-nine.

(b) By the term 'District Cadre' the Member presumably refers to the number of officers who have jurisdiction over the district. The number of such officers is 18.

SRI M. WILLIAM: Are the Government aware of the fact that by the transfer and promotion of non-gazetted officers from other districts, the claims of the officers in the subordinate services in the Kanyakumari district are overlooked and this has led to discontent among the service personnel there?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : As far as possible for the district requirements, the recruitment is made within the district. But hon. Members are aware there are certain problems relating to Kanyakumari district where the administration has got to be brought on the same level as in the other districts in Madras State. For that purpose, temporarily, persons who know the laws and regulations and rules of the Madras State are being drafted into that district. That is only a temporary phase.

SRI M. WILLIAM : Will the Government be pleased to look into the matter and redress the grievances of those service personnel?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I do not see the point about grievances. Certain results have got to be achieved there with reference to the modification of the laws and regulations and we have to see there is proper merger as far as administration is concerned, of the Kanyakuamri district with the Madras State. It is only for that purpose some have been taken there and as soon as that purpose is achieved, I am sure all these will be reviewed again and there won't be any question of grievances at all.

SRI T. T. DANIEL : It is not our point that officers from other districts should not be posted in Kanyakumari district. But when officers are available with sufficient qualifications to be appointed in particular posts will the Government be pleased to give them their promotions at least and transfer them to other districts?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir, when persons are drafted from other districts to fill certain vacancies here and persons here suffer because of that transfer, the suggestion made by the hon. Member will be taken into consideration.

Sea erosion at Tiruchendur

* 114 *Q.*—SRI M. S. SELVARAJAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state the measures taken by the Government for the protection of Sri Subramaniaswamy temple at Tiruchendur and the area surrounding it from sea erosion?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The Government had already examined the matter in detail in 1952–53 and considered the question of constructing a sea screen wall to check erosion. Such a wall was however considered unnecessary. Again in 1956, the question was examined and the Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments, reported, in consultation with the Public Works Department that there was no risk to the temple. The Government are alive to the need for meeting any such risk if it should arise in future.

9-10 a.m. SRI M. S. SELVARAJAN : இயற்கை அழகு தெய்வ மணத்துடன் கலந்து விளங்கும் திருச்செந்தூர் தேவாலயத்தை அடுத்து இயல்பாகவே கடல் பயங்கரமான நிலையில் மோதிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறது. ஆகவே, தேவஸ்தான நிதியோடு சேர்த்து, அரசாங்கமும் ஓரளவு உதவி செய்து, நிரந்தரமான பாதுகாப்பு தேடுவதற்கு இந்த நேரத்திலே வழி செய்ய முடியுமா என்று அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.